2018-2ad40fee

UNCLASSIFIED//FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY



CALIFORNIA STATE THREAT ASSESSMENT CENTER

24-Hour Report

13 June 2018

(U) NATIONAL

(U) Florida - Man Pleads Guilty to Narco-trafficking on Dark Web

(U) Miami – A Frenchman who used the moniker "OxyMonster" on the dark web pled guilty for narcotics trafficking. Gal Vallerius used Dream Market's eBay-like site to manage transactions between buyers and sellers of multiple kilos of cocaine, heroin, and other narcotics — all paid for with the virtual currency bitcoin. The 36-year-old plead guilty to conspiring to distribute drugs and commit money laundering between 2013 and 2017 and now faces 20 years in prison at his sentencing on 25 September under a plea agreement with the US Attorney's Office. Vallerius, a cyber whiz who is from the Brittany region of France and has French, Israeli and English citizenship, was arrested in August 2017.

SOURCE: 12 June 2018, Miami Herald

(U) New York – Man Receives 15 Year Sentence for Supporting ISIS

(U) Lackawanna – A man who showed interest in supporting ISIS was sentenced to 15 years in prison. Arafat M. Nagi, 47, first came onto the FBI's radar back in 2014 when an acquaintance called the law enforcement agency to say it was common for Nagi to get into verbal complaints over his jihadi beliefs and further investigation revealed that he pledged allegiance to ISIS and its leader, Abu Bakr al Bagdadi. The defendant traveled to Turkey on two occasions, in October 2012 and July 2014, with the intention of meeting with members of ISIS. Nagi was found guilty of attempting to provide material support and resources to ISIS and will serve 15 years in prison, followed by 15 years of supervised release.

SOURCE: 12 June 2018, United Press International

(U) Virginia – Teens Arrested for Terrorist Plot Targeting High School Prom

(U) Virginia Beach – Police arrested two teens who were planning a terrorist attack at a high school prom over the weekend. Michael Coleman, 18, and an unnamed 17-year-old were arrested and charged with conspiring to commit a terrorist attack at the Bayside High School prom on 9 June. The teens were taken into custody after police found a semi-automatic rifle in a room they shared at The Westin Hotel in Town Center, where prom was taking place.

SOURCE: 12 June 2018, ABC News

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Afghanistan – Official Says Suicide Bomb Kills Five Police Officers

(U) Kabul – At least five police officers were killed by a suicide bomber using a military Humvee in Afghanistan's eastern Ghazni province. A government spokesperson said 26 others including a district governor and 18 police were wounded in the attack. No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack. Yesterday in a statement ISIS claimed responsibility for another attack outside the Rural Rehabilitation and Development Ministry in the capital Kabul as employees were leaving work, killing 12 people. Afghan officials said more than 30 others were wounded.

SOURCE: 12 June 2018, Associated Press

Form # 1168-442e-b407-de1a8c242c14

2018-2ad40fee

UNCLASSIFIED//FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

(U) Germany – Authorities Arrest Suspected ISIS Member

(U) Berlin – An 18-year-old Iraqi man was arrested on suspicion of being a member ISIS. Federal prosecutors say Aqram A., whose full name was withheld on privacy grounds, was preliminary detained in the southwestern Rhine-Neckar district. Prosecutors said the man is suspected of joining ISIS in 2014 in Mosul where he completed military training for approximately four weeks. During the ensuing period, he worked as a guard and prepared fighting positions for the group. In the summer of 2015, the suspect took part in fighting near the Iraqi town Beiji. He allegedly left Iraq in late 2015 and entered Germany in February 2016.

SOURCE: 12 June 2018, Associated Press

(U) PREPARED BY THE CALIFORNIA STATE THREAT ASSESSMENT CENTER.

(U) FOR QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS, PLEASE EMAIL STAC@CALOES.CA.GOV, OR CALL 916-636-2900.

Warning: This document is the exclusive property of the State Threat Assessment Center (STAC) and is UNCLASSIFIED//FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY (U//FOUO). It contains information that may be exempt from public release under the California Public Records Act (Govt. Code Sec. 6250-6270). It is to be controlled, stored, handled, transmitted, distributed, and disposed of in accordance with STAC policy relating to U//FOUO information and is not to be released to the public, the media, or other personnel who do not have a valid "need-to-know" without prior approval of an authorized STAC official. No portion of this report should be furnished to the media, either in written or verbal form.

This document contains excerpts of suspicious activities and incidents of interest to the STAC as obtained from open and unclassified sources.